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TO ACCESS NAVIANCE: <http://student.naviance.com/robinsonhs> LOGIN: STUDENT #

PW: STUDENT CREATES (10 or more characters)

IMPORTANT RHS STUDENT SERVICES INFORMATION:

- Attend Financial Aid Night at RHS on October 21; Sign Up for Remind; Check Student Services page on Canvas; Follow the Cube on Twitter [@cube_rhs](https://twitter.com/cube_rhs).
- All transcript and recommendation requests must be in Naviance by **October 1** for January 1 and earlier deadlines (Early Action, Early Decision, Priority, FSU, UF, etc.); Enter schools in "Colleges I'm Applying To" on Naviance.
- All transcript and recommendation requests must be in Naviance by **December 1** for remaining applications (Regular Decision, Rolling Admissions); Enter schools in "Colleges I'm Applying To" on Naviance.
- IMPORTANT: If you decide after one of these deadlines you are going to apply to a school you must go (in person) and speak to a school counselor. Make sure to enter the school(s) in "Colleges I'm Applying To" on Naviance (e.g., HCC, HTC, colleges/FI SUS with rolling admissions) and request transcripts.
- Look at schools visiting RHS on Naviance and sign up to see presentations from schools that interest you; Most visits are held in the Student Services Conference Room. (N/A for 2020-21).
- Record Service Hours on Profferfish, profferfish.com or Managebac (IB), <https://robinsonhs.managebac.com>.

SAT and ACT Testing Dates: 2020-2021

***Fee waivers are available for students receiving free/reduced lunch*

| <u>SAT SCHEDULE</u> | <u>Registration Deadline</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Aug 29 | July 31 |
| Sept 26 | Aug 26 |
| Oct 3 | Sept 4 |
| Nov 7 | Oct 7 |
| Dec 5 | Nov 5 |
| March 13 | February 12 |
| May 8 | April 8 |
| June 5 | May 8 |

www.collegeboard.org **Link your PSAT score to Khan Academy. Also use paper pamphlets and books.

www.khanacademy.org/sat **Free on-line SAT prep

| <u>ACT SCHEDULE</u> | <u>Registration Deadline</u> |
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| Sept 12, 13, 19 | Aug 14 |
| Oct 10, 17, 24, 25 | Sept 25 |
| Dec 12 | Nov 20 |
| Feb 6 | Jan 15 |
| April 17 | March 26 |
| June 12 | May 21 |
| July 17 | June 25 |

www.actstudent.org **Free online study help at

<https://academy.act.org/> Also use pamphlets & books.

- Apply for Bright Futures if applying to a Florida Public College/ University
www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf/, Application available online: 10/1
 - Florida Academic Scholars need a minimum of a 3.50 weighted GPA, 1330 SAT, 29 ACT and at least 100 service hours
 - Florida Medallion Scholars need a minimum of a 3.00 weighted GPA, 1210 SAT, 25 ACT and at least 75 service hours

GENERAL INFO

- Check out potential careers <http://www.actstudent.org>"
www.actstudent.org– Naviance (Careers) &
<https://www.mynextmove.org/>
- Create list of potential colleges – Naviance (College), Big Future, College Navigator, Florida Shines for balanced list of schools
- Apprenticeships and Technical Colleges: Start with
<https://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us/departments/103/hillsborough-technical-colleges/about/> <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>
<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>
- Search for information about tuition and fees, financial aid, scholarships, and fit for each college <http://www.bls.gov/oco>
www.bls.gov/oco in Naviance (College) &
<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges>
- If interested in military options, look at
<https://todaysmilitary.com/joining>
- Apply for career certification programs at HCC,
www.TampaTraining.com and careersourcecampabay.com

FIVE STEPS TO APPLY TO COLLEGE

- * Apply: Complete the application on the college's website, or Common App, or Coalition App
- * Pay application fee or send fee waiver
- * Request transcripts to colleges through Naviance or complete SSAR
- * Send SAT/ACT scores STRAIGHT from College Board or ACT from ACTStudent.org (usually there is a 2-week lag before college receives them). Some schools are now test optional
- * If required, send letters of recommendation. Request these through Naviance and provide Brag Sheet with request

Senior Calendar

September/Oct: During the summer, check out the following free college advising and/or college matching programs for high achieving low/moderate income students: www.questbridge.org and www.collegepoint.info. Take (or re-take) SAT or ACT if needed; tour colleges (virtually); attend College Fairs (virtually); meet with college reps visiting RHS or attend virtual college information events; explore post-secondary options; if applying to 4-year college create Common App account; make college list; start application process; <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org> request letters of rec from teachers and counselor if needed; complete resume in Naviance; request student summary report from counselor; work on essays for applications; work on community service hours; FAMU scholarship priority deadline Sept 30.

Oct/Nov: Add colleges to "Colleges Applying To" in Naviance; **Complete FAFSA** (opens Oct 1); Complete Bright Futures scholarship application (available Oct 1); finish applications with Oct or Nov. priority deadlines and/or rolling admissions for best chance at admission and institutional scholarships; work on community service hours. FAMU priority admission deadline Oct 30; UNF scholarship priority deadline Oct. 15; UF app deadline Nov. 16; FL Poly, FGCU priority deadline Nov 1. ***Note: "priority deadline" means "deadline to be considered a priority for admission and/or scholarships".

Nov/Dec: Apply for Hillsborough Education Foundation scholarships www.educationfoundation.com; complete SSAR for colleges that require it; finish college apps with deadlines in January; apply to ALL rolling admissions colleges. Explore scholarships. FSU, UWF, FAU priority deadline Dec. 1 and New College Early Action deadline Dec 1.

Jan/Feb: Continue applications for all colleges, prioritizing by earlier deadlines. Be sure to keep your grades up even if you've been accepted at a college; colleges can retract offers if grades drop significantly. Apply to state colleges (HCC, SPC, etc.). Explore scholarships. FIU and USF priority deadline is Jan. 1, and FIU merit scholarship priority deadline is Jan 31.

March/April: Explore and apply for scholarships; finish community service hours. Review acceptance and financial aid documents from colleges; apply for housing and submit deposit (dates may vary). Apply to Technical Colleges for certification programs and/or HCC Career-Workforce Options/Certifications (if applicable).

May/June: Submit all community service hours before graduation; commit to a college to attend (enrollment deposits are typically due on May 1). Attend college orientation sessions (dates may vary); continue to apply for scholarships; update Bright Futures application with the final college selection if needed. Indicate college acceptance and college name in Naviance.

Looking for Financial Aid?

- Complete Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) www.fafsa.gov. Registration begins October 1. Uses tax info from 2019. FAFSA determines eligibility for federal, state, and institutional financial aid. Maximum Pell Grant award for 2020-2021 is \$6,345.00.
- Apply for State of Florida financial aid with the FFAA (including Bright Futures) at www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org.
- Explore the Financial Aid websites of potential colleges for a listing of their available scholarships.
- Apply for a Scholarship through Hillsborough Education Foundation or Pinellas Education Foundation.
- Check Scholarship Matrix from Hillsborough County OR Pinellas County Public Schools on their websites.
- Sign up to receive updated scholarship notices from fastweb.com and scholarships.com and collegegreenlight.org. Consider signing up for a Raise.Me account. Look at unigo.com and goingmerry.com websites for comprehensive scholarship listings.
- Consider military options to fund your college education (ROTC, G.I. bill and more) Aid for Military Families.
- Join RHS PTSA and apply for school, district, and state scholarships.

